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C O N F I D E N T I A L LUSAKA 0588

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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: REPORTS OF KILLINGS IN ZAPU CAMPS DOUBTFUL

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1. IT IS NOW WIDELY CONSIDERED IN LUSAKA THAT THE REPORT
OF STUDENTS DEATHS IN ZAPU CAMPS IN NOT ACCURATE. FRICTIONS
EXIST AND SOME SKIRMISHES MAY HAVE OCCURRED, BUT IT IS DOUBTFUL
THAT ANY LIVES WERE LOST.

2. IT IS EXPLAINED BY WAY OF BACKGROUND THAT RHODESIANS
CROSSING THE BORDER INTO MOZAMBIQUE WERE AUTOMATICALLY SENT
TO ZANU CAMPS, WHATEVER THEIR LOYALTY OR AFFILIATIONS. WHAT
HAPPENED TO THOSE WHO MAY HAVE BELONGED TO OTHER ORGANIZATIONS
IS NOT KNOWN BUT PRESUMABLY THEY EITHER CONFORMED OR WERE
FORCED TO DO SO AND THIS MAY HAVE BEEN THE BASIS OF SOME OF
THE STORIES OF FIGHTING IN ZANU CAMPS. BY THE SAME TOKEN
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RHODESIANS LEAVING THROUGH BOTSWANA AND ZAMBIA ARE ASSIGNED
TO ZAPU CAMPS AND ZAPU INSISTS THAT THE SAME RULE APPLY,
I.E., THAT WHETHER THEY LIKE IT OR NOT THEY BECOME ZAPU
FREEDOM FIGHTERS. PARTICULARLY IN THE CASE OF SECONDARY
SCHOOL STUDENTS WHOSE LOYALTIES ARE STRONG, THIS CAN RESULT
IN FRICTION AND SKIRMISHES AS THEY RESIST THIS ENFORCED
ALLEGIANCE. WHETHER THE STUDENTS IN QUESTION WERE ZANU OR ANC

MUZOREWA SUPPORTERS, IT IS CLEAR AT LEAST THAT THEY WERE NOT ZAPU AND THAT THE DIFFICULTIES IN THE ZAPU CAMPS RESULTED FROM THEIR RESISTANCE TO JOINING ZAPU. IT IS PROBABLE THAT BOTH ZANU AND ANC MUZOREWA WOULD CLAIM THEM AND THE TRUTH IS PRACTICALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE. WITH AN ACTIVE AND RELATIVELY FREER PRESS CORPS IN LUSAKA, SKIRMISHES OF THIS KIND ARE LIKELY TO RECEIVE MORE PUBLICITY AND WILL PROBABLY APPEAR FROM TIME TO TIME. THEY ARE ALSO LIKELY TO BE EXAGGERATED BY RIVAL FACTIONS AS WELL AS THE RHODESIANS WHO WISH TO DEPRECATE ZAPU. OBSERVERS ARE FAIRLY CONFIDENT THAT AT LEAST IN THIS CASE LIVES WERE NOT LOST. LOW

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